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SUBJ: MALAYSIAN M-16 PURCHASE

REF: KUALA LUMPUR 4295

1. COLT REP ROB ROY TELEPHONED CHARGE NIGHT OF JULY TWENTY-THREE TO SAY HE HAD JUST COMPLETED LONG CONVERSATION RE M-16 PURCHASE WITH MINDEF OFFICIALS. HE TOLD THEM COLT COULD PROBABLY ARRANGE SPECIAL DELIVERY OF FIVE TO TEN THOUSAND RIFLES BEFORE FIRST OF YEAR. STARTING EARLY NEXT YEAR COLT COULD DELIVER 2,000 RIFLES PER MONTH UP TO FULL 41,000. ON THIS BASIS GOM IS GIVING HIM LETTER OF INVITATION FOR FORMAL NEGOTIATION STARTING AUGUST TWENTY. ROY LEAVING TOMORROW MORNING AND WILL RETURN JULY TWENTY-EIGHT FOR FULL DEBRIEFING.

2. MINDEF OFFICIAL SUBSEQUENTLY TELEPHONED CHARGE TO CONFIRM AUGUST TWENTY DATE BUT EMPHASIZED THERE MANY UNANSWERED QUESTIONS INCLUDING PRICE.
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